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Conservation Officers Conduct Wildlife Enforcement Training with Local Law Enforcement Agency

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Conservation officers with the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (UDWR) met with officers of the Clearfield City Police Department to provide a basic wildlife law enforcement training. This effort is intended to provide officers employed by traditional policing agencies with a basic knowledge of wildlife law. In doing so, it is hoped that local officers will be better prepared to recognize a wildlife violation that they may encounter in the performance of their duties.

For example, it is not uncommon for officers to detect illegally taken wildlife while making traffic stops. In a more memorable incident, troopers with the Utah Highway Patrol alerted UDWR officers when it was found that an individual stopped for brandishing of a firearm during a road-rage incident was in possession of a freshly killed trophy buck deer that he had just poached in a Salt Lake County canyon.



In most instances a UDWR conservation officer is requested to respond and deal with violations identified by allied agencies.

The Utah Division of Wildlife currently employs 50 patrol officers, who cover an average of nearly 2,000 square miles. By training more of our law enforcement counterparts to recognize a violation, it is hoped that Utah's wildlife will be better protected.

UDWR officers could use the public's help too. If you suspect a wildlife crime, please contact the UTiP Hotline at 800-662-3337.

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